

SHIP SELIGMAN
CLAY TO SMELTER

Messrs. Code and Stobba, who have been leasing and buying certain lands in and near Seligman which they say contain platinum, gold and silver in paying quantities, have been there this week and have been leasing and buying other land. James Talbert of this city, their attorney, has also spent several days there with them, is information brought here by Wm. Bridges of near Seligman.

On Tuesday from fifteen to eighteen sacks of clay were shipped from Seligman to Van Buren, Ark., to a smelter. It is expected that dirt will also be shipped to other smelters, as it is known that a number of smelters will be tested before operations are commenced at Seligman.

A company composed of Mr. Ragsdale and others of Springfield has leased ground on which they say a smelter will be constructed.

It was reported here Monday that James Talbert had purchased the Noble land at Seligman containing ten acres for which \$100 per acre was paid.

Some Seligman citizens have heated this clay to such an extent some mineral was easily seen but not one of them knew what it was.

Gold and platinum are mined in clay on a large scale in Spain and has been found in this way in California.

C. C. Larson, Charles Bashe and others of Seligman have recently purchased some land in this belt near Seligman.—Cassville Democrat.

DR. FRED WOODRUFF

TO BE MARRIED

Dr. Fred F. Woodruff, of Denver, Colo., who has been visiting his parents and home-town friends the past week, left Wednesday evening, December 6 for Kirksville, Mo., where he will spend the week end and Sunday visiting his college friends and "Acacia Fraternity" brothers. From there he will go to Moberly, Mo., where he will be married to Miss Irene Woods, of that city, December 12, at 8 o'clock p. m. This will come as a surprise to his friends here, although rumor has been persistent in "guessing" that something was going to happen.

Dr. Fred is well known in Monett, having spent the early years of his life here, until graduating from Monett High School in 1912. After spending one year in Wichita Business College, he went to the American School of Osteopathy, in Kirksville, where he fitted himself for his profession. It was while in college there that he met Miss Woods, who was attending the State Normal, she graduating from that institution in the spring of 1916. Miss Woods is spoken of as a most charming young lady, highly educated and accomplished. She has been teaching this year in the East Park school in Moberly, resigning her position to become the bride of Dr. Woodruff. The Moberly papers give a pretty write-up of an announcement party given at the home of Miss Woods on November 28 to twelve of her most intimate girl friends, who were duly surprised that their friend was to leave them so soon and showered her with love and best wishes.

Dr. Woodruff has many friends in Monett and vicinity who will join the Monett and vicinity who will join the unions and to wish the young couple all the joys of life.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Woodruff will leave Monday night to attend the wedding. Prof. Joel Bounous, superintendent of Monett High School, a former schoolmate, will attend and act as Dr. Woodruff's best man at the wedding.

The couple expect to leave at once for their home in Denver.

SPRINGFIELD SHRINERS INI.

TIATE FIFTY-SIX NOVICES

About Ben Adhem temple of the Mystic Shrine conducted 56 novices across the burning sands, Friday night. The affair was said to be one of the most successful ever held at Springfield in spite of the storm.

The affair was the final meeting at which Leslie E. Walton will serve as potentate of the Shrine. His successor will be elected December 13. F. M. Shriver, A. Britain, A. H. Cox, Harry Martin and T. E. Hastings, of Monett, were among the novices.

CASSVILLE

Mrs. W. A. Wear has succeeded Mrs. Zuma Bloomer as teacher in the Cassville school. This is a fine selection and will give satisfaction. Mrs. Jewette Ray was made substitute.

Mrs. Helen Hobbs has returned from a visit with relatives in Monett. Joe Ayres went to St. Louis, Wednesday night to take examination for U. S. Navy Service.—Democrat.

WOMAN UNION MEETS

The Woman's Union met at the home of Mrs. H. A. Gardner, Friday afternoon. Though the weather was so bad there was a fair attendance and the program was carried out. Mrs. Gardner and her assistants, Mrs. W. D. Steele and Mrs. E. W. Pfau, served a delicious lunch.

SEND TOBACCO TO SOLDIERS

The Red Cross Unit of Eve Rebekah Lodge No. 63 I. O. O. F. have through the firm of Liggett and Myers Tobacco Co., of New York City, sent \$10.00 worth of tobacco to our American boys in France, mentioning a few names of those from Monett and vicinity as special beneficiaries. We hope the boys will receive this gift from their Monett friends for their Christmas. This firm agrees to send return post cards with the tobacco so they can acknowledge the receipt of same.

This same firm the Sunshine Unit sent through and back orders were mailed at the same time. This company gives dollar for dollar for all orders sent through them.

Tobacco seems to be the crying need when wounded or sick. Let us send the boys more tobacco.

MRS. FRANCES L. RING,
Financial Secretary.
MRS. MOLLIE HOOVER,
Noble Grand.

STRINGTOWN

dy Wednesday.
Miss Jewell Carlin visited Gladys Carr Tuesday evening and attended church at the Kings Prairie Union.

W. M. Carr and J. T. Henderson took a load of fat hogs to Verona, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fleming Dummit and daughters, Jessie and Elsie, visited Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Carr, Sunday of last week.

Clyde McCormick and Miss Jewel Carlin attended church at the Union Wednesday night of this week.

Quite a crowd attended the baptizing at Sidway's pond Sunday afternoon.

Walter Henson attended church at the Union.
C. C. Drake has returned from the Springfield hospital. We hope for his speedy recovery.

Mrs. J. W. Marbut visited Mrs. Phelix Jackson Wednesday.

We hear some of the Camp Funston boys are coming home in a few days. We can hardly wait until they reach home.

BAPTIST CHURCH MEETING

The members of the Baptist church held their annual church meeting Wednesday evening, at which officers were elected for the next year and plans were made for future work.

Church officers elected were clerk, W. E. Spilman; treasurer, Percy Johnson, to take the place of J. E. Harvey, resigned.

Sunday school officers elected were general superintendent, D. S. Mayhew; superintendent adult department, Percy Johnson; intermediate department, D. B. Meador; junior department, W. E. Spilman; primary department, Mrs. J. M. Adams and beginners department, Mrs. W. C. Hathaway; cradle roll, Mrs. Frank Rowden; home department, Mrs. F. C. Williams; superintendent Mission Sunday school, Mrs. S. A. Mott; treasurer, Audrey Lassiter; pianists, Bessie Hoover, Leta Russey, Mrs. W. A. Todd and Mrs. Jack Thomson.

500 CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Shipley very pleasantly entertained the members of the 500 Club at their home on Frisco avenue, Wednesday evening. Mrs. Gus Cole won the prize and Mrs. Gene Saxe the guest prize.

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Gus Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Will Durnil, Mr. and Mrs. Will Landrum, Mr. and Mrs. Sig Solomon, Mr. and Mrs. John Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. Wirt Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Logan McKee, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Saxe, Mrs. W. J. Fleming, Mrs. Flora Kahn and Miss Merrah Kahn.

Miss Emma Clark, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Claud White, returned to her home in Hamilton, Friday. Mr. White's mother, Mrs. A. E. White, went home with her to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Saxe were the host and hostess to the members of the 500 Club at their home on Frisco avenue, Friday evening. Mrs. W. D. Steele and Charles Mansfield won the prizes. Following the card tournament, a dainty lunch was served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Ora Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mansfield, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Beckham, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pfau and Miss Margaret Edgar.

BOB BASHAM DEAD

Bob Basham died one day last week, leaving many sorrowing friends. Bob was only a dog, but he was kind and faithful and never harmed or troubled anyone. He suffered a cruel death by poisoning and his owner, J. L. Basham is willing to pay a liberal reward for information concerning the guilty party.

About the same time other dogs about town met with a like fate.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed O'Connell, who have been visiting Mr. O'Connell, left Saturday morning for their home at Franks.

GOLDEN ROD SUNSHINE
CLUB ELECT OFFICERS

At the regular meeting Tuesday afternoon of the Golden Rod Sunshine Club which met with Mrs. James Mansfield, 311 5th street, the following officers were elected for the year 1918: President, Mrs. W. T. Dailey; vice president, Mrs. George Miller; secretary, Mrs. S. C. Dow; treasurer general fund, Mrs. James Mansfield; treasurer incidental fund, Mrs. Wm. Such.

The Club sent \$25.00 worth of tobacco to our boys in France for their Christmas. This was the work of the Red Cross Unit of the Sunshine Club, and the money was made for that purpose and not taken out of the general fund or fund for helping the poor.

The Club voted to have Tag Day December 15th as Tag Day to help us with our Christmas baskets.

Our funds are very low as we have had but one benefit this fall and that was the card party November 29th which netted us \$25.00.

We, the members of the Club, wish to express our appreciation and thanks to the merchants for their donations of prizes and for tables and chairs; also to Mr. Osborn for the hall. You have ever been ready to help us in our work of charity.

Again we thank you
MRS. C. H. RING,
Secretary.

MRS. L. H. GABRIEL,
President.

OLD FASHIONED SOCIAL

Circle No. 3 of the M. E. church gave an old fashioned social at the home of Mrs. R. B. Kyler, Wednesday evening. Eighty people were present and the costumes they wore created a great deal of amusement. Some of the ladies wore their wedding dresses while others wore clothing that belonged to their grandmothers.

The guests sat on board seats and of course that reminded some of them of their school days when they went to the little red school house on the hill.

An old fashioned program was given which included the following numbers.

Song, "My Lover Has Gone to France"—Mrs. W. B. Flynn
Recitation, "Poor Little Kitty"—Mrs. J. F. King

Japanese Song—Georgia West.
Recitation, "The Widow's Mite"—Alma Russell

Dialogue, "Mr. and Mrs. Love-Joy"—Mrs. Robert Ellis and John Hoberg

Refreshments consisting of gingerbread and coffee were served.

RECRUITS WANTED FOR

THE 38th ENGINEERS

Recruiting Officer G. W. Morrison received the following bulletin, Wednesday:

Accept for 38th Engineers, National Army, eligible applicants who present themselves with written or telegraphic authority from an engineer officer. Send accepted applicants to Depot for enlistment, for this regiment. Married men may be accepted for all branches of the army on the same basis as single men during the period of existing emergency. Resume recruiting for Stevedore Regiments, Q. M. Corps, National Army, and for Cavalry, white, Regular Army, until further instructions. Send no more recruits to the following named camps: Sevier, Wheeler, Shelby, Beauregard, Bowie and Funston.

McCAIN.

The "period of emergency" referred to is for the duration of the war, and married men accepted under this authority will have their papers made out accordingly; no certificate is required from a wife and these men will be required to allot one-half pay to dependents.

STOMACH TROUBLE

AND CONSTIPATION

Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. I have used them off and on now for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin Hooper, Auburn, N. Y.—Adv.

It is said that Walter Bass of the Redwood neighborhood has been running his Ford on sweet milk for the last two weeks. He poured the milk into his gas tank while putting out a fire that had started in the machine. And after receiving the milk, the little old whoopee rambled right along, churning butter in its reservoir.—Sarcocoe Record.

James W. Silsby, a Springfield attorney, died, Friday morning, from injuries received when he fell on a slippery pavement. He lived only an hour after the accident.

HOW TO PREVENT CROUP

In a child that is subject to attacks of croup, the first indication of the disease is hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be ward off and all danger and anxiety avoided.—Adv.

Mrs. C. W. Vaughan visited Mrs. Frank Hines, Friday.

C. V. Huffman made a business trip to Peirce City, Friday.

E. A. O'Dwyer has returned from a business trip to Miami, Ok.

Miss Blanche McClure of Seligman, visited friends in Monett, Thursday.

Miss Minnie Reed visited in Joplin, Saturday.

Win Miller has returned from a visit with relatives in Rogers, Ark.

Brakeman Ferenburg has returned to work after a short layoff.

Brakeman Henson is laying off on account of a sprained wrist.

Mrs. W. M. Carr and daughter Gladys made a business trip to Peirce City, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Hughes who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Mott, returned to their home in Enid, Okla., Saturday.

Allen Harrison, of the U. S. Navy, left Saturday morning, for Philadelphia, after a short furlough at home.

Mrs. Charley Scott, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Peel re, turned to her home in Springfield, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Williams have returned from a visit with relatives in Sherman, Dallas and Fort Worth, Tex.

Mrs. Clark Edwards went to Lawton, Okla., Saturday, to visit a few days with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Peck have returned from a visit to their old home at Indianola, Iowa.

L. B. Durnil and Jim Campbell, who have been visiting in onett, returned to Picher, Okla., Saturday.

Miss Pearl Ross, of Springfield, who have been visiting in Monett, returned will go to Kansas City, this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Isbell, have rented Mrs. Fannie Martin's cottage on Ninth street.

Miss Vada Lewis is the guest of Miss Virginia Lawton, at Aurora for the week end.

Charles Frear and L. C. Musser have returned from a visit at Picher, Okla.

Thanks to the stamp system, you can now buy your liberty bonds a scrap at a time.—Joplin Globe.

Mrs. Carrie Curry and Mrs. C. E. Vinson have returned from a visit in Aurora.

Wiley Clark, who has been in Oklahoma, visited relatives in Monett, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Fred Williams went to Peirce City, Friday, to see her niece, Wilma Connor, who is ill.

Mrs. Frank Reed, sons Frank and George, visited relatives in Springfield Saturday.

Misses Cora Lester and Margaret Edgar will go to Joplin, Saturday to visit over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shriver motored to Mt. Vernon, Wednesday and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shriver.

J. P. Burnley, special agent of the St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, of Kansas City, was in Monett, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ayers, of Cassville, were in Monett, Wednesday. Mr. Ayers has joined the navy and went from here to St. Louis.

John Spilman of Dry Valley brought a hog to town Saturday and sold it to John Lewis for \$88. There may have been hogs that sold for more than this on the local market, but so far as known this is the limit in high prices for porkers.—Sarcocoe Record.

H. E. Dreyer, of Kansas City, traveling passenger and immigration agent of the Great Northern railway, was in Monett, Thursday.

Mrs. J. H. Ferguson and daughter Leona, of El Reno, Ok., will be here this evening to visit their daughter and sister, Mrs. A. Britain.

Miss Lillie Bledsoe, of Seligman, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. W. Gilbert. Mrs. Gilbert and her sister expect to visit in Joplin, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Amber went to Springfield, Thursday morning, to visit their son-in-law, Earl Johnson, who is in the Frisco hospital with a fractured knee.

Misses Letha and Lala Jeffries and Katherine Ray, Messrs. Dewey Roberts and Pat Moore of Cassville, motored to Monett, Wednesday evening and visited friends.

Tom Brendlinger, who went from here to take the place of traffic officer at Sapulpa, Okla., has resigned his position at that place and has taken a similar job at Tulsa.

Viga Hall, who recently enlisted in the Quartermaster Department at Jefferson Barracks, writes that Uncle Sam's business at that place is flourishing. Recruits are coming in at the rate of 500 to 600 each day. He passed the examination all right and likes the training very much.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Kyler and son Frank went to Peabody, Kan., Thursday, to attend the funeral of M. S. Porter, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Kyler.

Mr. Porter, who used to be a fireman on the Kansas division out of Monett, had been in poor health for a long time and died at his home at Peabody, Kan., Wednesday. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon.

THE SURVEY OF
COUNTRY SCHOOLS

State Superintendent Lamkin, working with and through the State Teachers' Association, is having an extensive survey taken of the country schools of the state. For this work Mr. Lamkin has appointed the teachers in Teachers Training Departments, who will visit specified country schools and make an exhaustive report of conditions.

The country schools of Missouri are not up to the high standard they should be. The terms are too short, the teachers are changed too often, many of the teachers have not had proper training. Some of the rural schools are without any equipment whatever to help the teacher in her work. Many of the buildings are too small, improperly built and arranged. The survey will show what the needs are and how they are to be met.

One school in every ten in each Training head in her county. The county is to be visited by the Teacher county superintendent sends a list of three times the number of schools to be visited. The list will contain the best schools, the poorest schools and the schools of medium quality. The state superintendent from this list selects the schools for the one making the survey to visit.

In Barry county Miss Fern Veerkamp has been appointed for this work. Where possible the county superintendent, W. E. Hankins, has gone with her. This week she is visiting the Kings Prairie and Marbut schools and next week she will go to Cassville and visit schools in the south end of the county. She will report on eleven schools in Barry county, there being 110 country schools.

The summary of the reports made will be gone over by expert educators who will make recommendations to the legislators in regard to the necessary legislation to bring the schools up to standard.

In many country districts the fault of poor schools lies with the teachers, who refuse to study new methods or to change from the old time way of teaching. In some localities the teachers who would progress are restrained by the patrons who look askance at new fangled notions.

The fact that the people of Missouri need educating along these lines was forcibly illustrated when so many districts voted against the consolidated high school districts, which has proven so successful in other states.

Whooping in the lungs indicates that phlegm is obstructing the air passage. BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Logan D. McKee.—Adv.

CHARGED WITH

DESERTING ARMY

The Frisco and city night officers Thursday night, arrested Mark Saunders, of Carthage, on suspicion of deserting from the army.

Saunders claims that he is not a deserter. He is a member of Company A 128th Gun Battalion, Fort Sill, Ok. He left camp without getting a furlough. He claims that he was stopped at Oklahoma City and that on telephoning back to camp the officer told them to let him go as he had not been gone long enough to be called a deserter. Saunders says he was going home on a visit but expected to return to Fort Sill.

The officers here are holding him waiting instructions.

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS SEALS

The annual supply of Red Cross Christmas seals has been received by Supt. M. J. Hale and will be offered for sale by teachers and pupils from now till Christmas.

The money from these sales goes to The Missouri Association for Relief and Control of Tuberculosis. All the schools of the state assist each year in these stamp sales, and give instruction along the line of prevention and cure of tuberculosis.

LONE HILL

Mrs. G. C. Burch and children visited B. W. Lambs Sunday.

Mr. Bill Cannady was trading in Verona, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Henley and children spent Thanksgiving with John Smith's.

B. W. Lamb, who is at work in Picher, returned home and spent Saturday and Sunday.

Biss Henley went to Butterfield Sunday to help dehorn cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Marbut and Mr. John Smith and son, Clarence, attended the sale at Roy Davis', where Tom Marbut purchased a Jersey cow.

Will Marbut has ordered a new car. Weather is fine and farmers are busy butchering hogs.

Deep-seated coughs that resist ordinary remedies require both external and internal treatment. If you buy a dollar bottle of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP you get the two remedies you need for the price of one. There is a HERRICK'S RED PEPPER POROUS PLASTER for the chest, free with each bottle. Sold by Logan D. McKee.—Adv.

HOME FROM CAMP, YOUTH
REFUSES TO GO BACK

Saying that he had come home to die, Maud Hilton, a Barry county youth, refuses to go back to Camp Doniphan, where he is wanted on a charge of desertion. His family and friends cannot persuade him to return to his command and Sheriff Houston of Cassville cannot get close enough to the youth to even talk to him.

He has been at the home of G. W. Woodhouse, five miles south of Scholten, for several days, and last Sunday Sheriff Houston went to the home to arrest him as a deserter, but the young man ran away. The sheriff then made a proposition to him through his brother that if he would come and talk the matter over with him he would not attempt to take him if he could not persuade and show him that it was his duty to go. The sheriff promised to accompany him back to camp and intercede for him with the officers if he would go, but he refused to talk to the sheriff and would talk little of the matter to his brother.—Springfield Republican.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI

FRUIT GROWERS' ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the directors of the Southwest Missouri Fruit Growers Union was held in Monett Tuesday, December the 5th.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected and are as follows: President, Dudley Biggs, Wheaton; vice-president, U. S. Lane, Purdy; secretary, Philip B. Davis, Monett; treasurer, N. M. Browning and manager William Smerdon, Monett.

Reports were made by committees that had been appointed and the report of the secretary showing that the crop of 1917 had been marketed at a cost of four-fifths of one per cent of the gross sales, was very gratifying. Work for the coming year was planned and several very interesting talks were made by some of those present.

Representatives were present from the following places: Verona, N. M. Browning; Purdy, James McIntosh, U. S. Lane and C. M. Bennett; Wheaton, W. J. Narrell, W. P. Graber and Dudley Biggs; Sarcocoe, S. F. Woods; Monett, J. J. Lauderdale, S. C. Haddock and Wm. Smerdon; Cassville, W. W. Witt.

In addition to these representatives were a number of visitors both from Monett and towns close by.

ARRESTED FOR

WIFE DESERTION

Roy Brendlinger was arrested on information filed by his wife, who charges that he has deserted her and the children. The case came up before Justice D. B. Meador, Thursday, and was continued to Tuesday, December 11. A number of witnesses have been subpoenaed in the case.

CHAMBERLAIN'S TABLETS

Chamberlain's Tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation and have met with much success in the treatment of those diseases. People who have suffered for years with stomach trouble and have been unable to obtain any permanent relief, have been completely cured by the use of these tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are also of great value for biliousness. Chronic constipation may be permanently cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets and up to 100 tablets per bottle.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Stephen Reardon, deceased, were granted to the undersigned, on the 27th day of November, 1917, by the Probate Court of Barry County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate, are required to exhibit them for allowance to the Administrator within six months after date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of last insertion of this publication, they will be forever barred.

This 27th day of November, 1917.

KATE REARDON,

Executrix.

Attest: C. M. LANDIS,

Judge of Probate.

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EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, that Letters testamentary on the estate of Wm. Noble, deceased, were granted to the undersigned, on the 13th day of November, 1917, by the Probate Court of Barry County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate, are required to exhibit them for allowance to the Administrator within six months after date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of last insertion of this publication, they will be forever barred.

This 13th day of November, 1917.

JAMES JOHNSTON,

Executor.

C. M. LANDIS,